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Sir:

In reply to the Final rejection dated 20 March 2008, applicants filed an Appeal Brief on 20 August 2008 (and correct Appeal Brief on 11 September 2008). Applicants wish to withdraw the Appeal Brief and reopen prosecution to have one reference considered by the examiner. In this respect, applicants concurrently file a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Should this reply require any unaccounted fee, such as for any claim surcharge and any additional extension(s) of time, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required to maintain the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-2056.